



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Lincoln Dale et al.

Attorney Docket No.: CISCP171

Application No.: 09/608,548

Filed: June 30, 2000

Examiner: Anita Choudhary

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AMENDMENT A

Mail Stop Amendment Fee Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner enters the following amendments in response to the Office Action dated 2 July 2003, a response to which is due on 2 October 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

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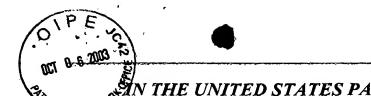
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	40	MINUS	32	8	x 9 =	x 18 = 144.00
Independent Claims	8	MINUS	8	0	x 42 =	x 84 = 0
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$140.00	\$280.00
				Total	\$	\$144.00

Applicant(s) hereby petition for a _____ month extension(s) of time to respond to the

aforementioned Office Action.

Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.

Enclosed is our Check No. 9051 冈

in the amount of \$144.00 to cover the additional

claim fee and/or extension of time fees.

Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. CISCP171).

Respectfully submitted.

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